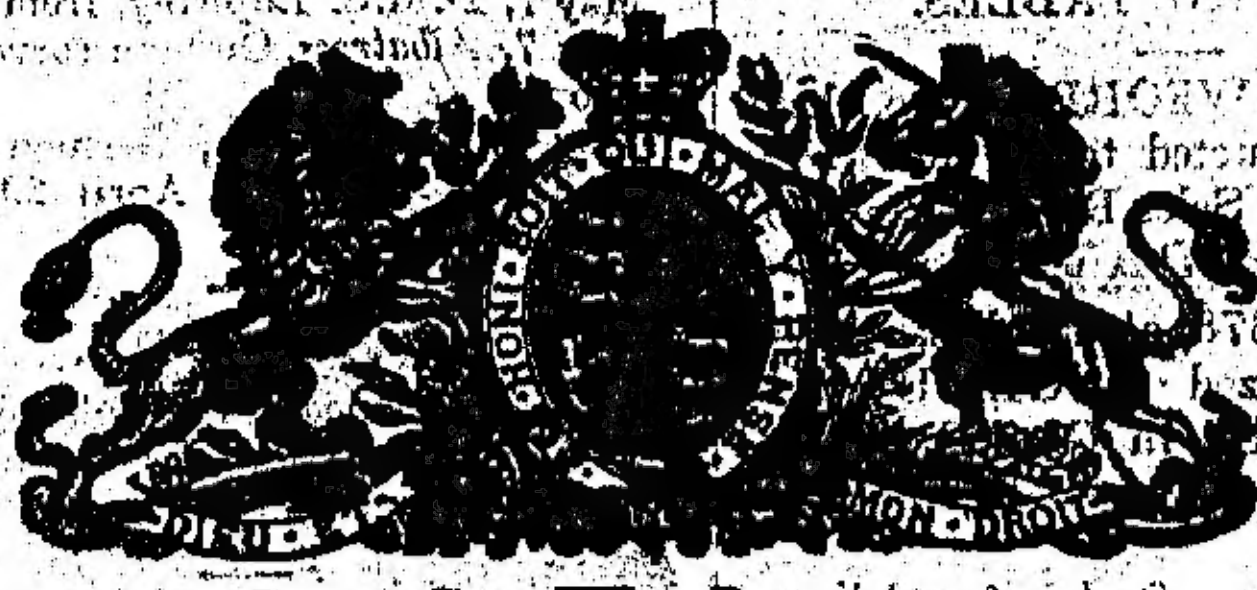


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THE 90 4 1 BETTINE STEAMSHIP "ARGENTINO,"
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For Particulars, apply to the Captain on Board.
Hongkong, May 4, 1878. j64

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Intimations.

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Hongkong, April 5, 1878.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
The above has the pleasure to inform his numerous Customers and the Public of Hongkong, that his Photographic Establishment is removed to the Newly-erected Commodious Building in Queen's Road Central; next to Messrs SAYLE & Co.'s.
Hongkong, April 22, 1878.

Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FIRST BONUS of ten per cent upon contributions and an interim dividend of Sixty dollars per Share for the year 1877 will be payable on MONDAY NEXT, the 13th Instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after the 11th Instant.

By Order of the Board,

E. MOORE,

Ad. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 6, 1878. my14

W. BALL,

CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES and PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

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Hongkong, July 13, 1878.

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Discount 20 %

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Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

A LAUDATORY NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, Passenger by the O. S. Co.'s Steamer, Duvalion, begs publicly to signify his sense of gratitude for the great kindness of Captain Brown, Dr. POTT, and Mr. SRA KWOK PU, Chief Cook of the said Steamer, for the recovery of 188 sovereigns which were stolen by one of the passengers during the voyage from Singapore to Hongkong on March last, particularly for the good-heartedness they showed in recovering the same. As a mark of gratitude, he begs to tender publicly his sincere thanks to Captain Brown, Dr. POTT, and the Chief Cook.

TEONG TEUN FOW.

Hongkong, May 5, 1878. my9

Intimations.

NOTICE.

A N EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG CLUB will be held at the Club House, on MONDAY, the 13th Instant, for the purpose of Confirming the Resolution carried at the last Yearly General Meeting, and a Copy of the Resolution is posted in the Hall of the Club.

By Order,
EDWARD BEART,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878. my13

WANTED.

A N EUROPEAN CLERK, with a knowledge of BOOKKEEPING, and can Correspond.—Address "A.B.C." Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, May 6, 1878. my9

SEALED TENDERS.

will be received by the Undersigned until Noon on THURSDAY, the 9th Instant, for the Construction of a SEA WALL, in front of the Steam Factory Buildings, Royal Naval Yard, Hongkong.

Plans and Specifications may be seen and further particulars obtained on Application.

JOHN BREMMER,

Naval Storekeeper.

H. M. NAVAL YARD,

Hongkong, May 2, 1878. my9

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Hongkong, April 20, 1878. my20

PIANOFORTE TUNING.

MR. A. HAHN begs to announce to his Patrons, that he has changed his Residence from Praya East to No. 19, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, where Orders may be left, or at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1878. my8

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

SHANGHAI, April 20th, 1878.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs RUSSELL & Co., on TUESDAY, the 7th May, at Two o'clock p.m.

BUSINESS.—To Receive the Accounts of the Association for the fiscal Year ending September 30th, 1877.

The Transfer BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 7th May, inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,
RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

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NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

SHANGHAI, April 20th, 1878.

NEW SHARE CERTIFICATES, in exchange for the Existing Ones, will be issued to Shareholders of record on the 15th May next.

It is requested that Shareholders will send in their Present Certificates as soon as possible after that date, and that those who have not yet signed the Deed of Settlement will do so without delay.

By Order of the Directors,
RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

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DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

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THE Dwelling House No. 6, Mosque Terrace, possession from 15th April next.

Three Offices, in Club Chambers.

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Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

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FOR FOCHOOW.

The Steamship

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will be despatched as above

on WEDNESDAY, the 8th Instant, at

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 2, 1878. my8

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWANFOO AND TAMSUI.

The Steamship

"HAILONG,"

Captain Goode, will be de-

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Emeralda*, from Manila, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Under- signed at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Macatan*, from Manila, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Under- signed at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, May 1, 1878.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Japan*, Capt. H. DE SMIDT, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Venice* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 6, 1878.

GERMAN STEAMER FERONIA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Under- signed, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 10th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless written notice to the contrary is given until 4 p.m. To-day.

Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel, from London, Bombay, and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the Steamers *PELIN* from Calcutta, and *SIAM* from Australia, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.

Goods not delivered by the 11th instant will be subject to rent.

ADAM LIND,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the Undermentioned Cargo are hereby informed that unless the same be taken delivery of within one month from this date it will be sold to pay expenses.

Ex *Argentino*, 30th April, 1877,
M..... 10 Cases.
Ex *Elgin*, 26th May, 1877,
W S (in diamond)..... 8 Cases.
D S & Co. (in diamond)..... 1 Box.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
7, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Copernic*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before To-morrow, the 4th instant, at 4 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Under- signed.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Friday, the 10th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DE POUVEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, May 8, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DE POUVEY,
Agent.

Ex *Trinidad*,
V (in triangle) 243/1 Order, from 6 cases Cottons, London.
Ex (in diamond) 513/4 Order, 10 cases Worsted, " "
Hongkong, April 28, 1878.

Intimations.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 64.

CHINA SEA.

RIVER MIN—FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

THE following dangers have recently been examined by H.M.'s Surveying Vessel "Nassau," Captain R. H. NAPIER, R.N., in charge of Survey:

1.—"BENJAMIN AYMAR" ROCK.

This Rock, on which the American barque "BENJAMIN AYMAR" struck in January, 1878, consists of a small rocky patch with 8 feet of water on its shoalest part at L. W. Springs. A depth of from 9 to 10 fathoms was obtained in every direction at a distance of 1½ cables from it, the bottom being mud.

Changchi Peak bears N. 68° E. from the Rock.

Middle Dog Lighthouse bears S. 37° E. from the Rock.

Sea Dog Summit bears S. 59° E. from the Rock.

Sea Cat Summit bears S. 71° E. from the Rock.

2.—"NORMAN COURT" ROCK.

This Rock consists of two PINACLES lying in a North and South direction and distant 1½ cables from each other. The Southern One is distant 4½ cables from Flat Rock, and has 9 feet of water over it at L. W. Springs, with deep water all around, but a rocky ledge with 6 fathoms over it extends 1½ cables to the S.E. by S. of it. The Northern One has only 6 feet over it at L. W. Springs. There is also a ROCKY PATCH, with 2½ fathoms over it, to the S.E. ½ E. of Flat Rock, and distant from it 2½ cables.

Flat Rock Summit bears N. 7° 10' W. from the S. Pinacle.

Changchi Peak bears N. 16° E. from the S. Pinacle.

Sea Dog Summit bears S. 5° W. from the S. Pinacle.

Sea Cat Summit bears S. 5° W. from the S. Pinacle.

3.—"PILOT ROCK."

This danger (described at Page 276 of the China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1874, lying 8 miles East from Sea Cat, but unnamed), is 8½ miles from the Sea Cat, and consists of a PINACLES of small extent on which the sea breaks at L. W. Springs, there then being about 1 foot of water over it.

Changchi Peak bears N. 17° W. from the Rock.

Sea Cat Summit bears S. 87° W. from the Rock.

Sea Dog Summit bears S. 63° 15' W. from the Rock.

This notice affects Admiralty Charts Nos. 1,282, 1,761, and 2,400.

All Bearings are Magnetic.

Variation in 1873 1° West.

By Order of the Inspector-General of Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,
Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,
Shanghai, 16th April, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Under- signed has received instructions from G. P. RICKARD, Esq., to sell by Public Auction.

TO-MORROW,

the 8th May, 1878, at Two o'clock p.m., at his Residence, No. 5 Seymour Terrace.

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

English-made Walnut Drawing-room Suite, covered with Crimson Rep.

English-made Walnut Card Table and Corner Whatnots, Chimney Glass and Clock, Chromes, Rugs, &c.

English-made Mahogany Dining-room Chairs, Extension Dining Table, Dinner Waggons, Japanese Folding Screens, Dinner, Dessert, and Tea Sets, Glassware and Plated Ware.

Double Iron Bedsteads and Children's Cots.

English-made Mahogany Chest of Drawers, Lady's Wardrobes, English-made Mahogany Marble-top Washstand and Toilet Glass.

Sundry Books.

A Rare Collection of Old Engravings, Hogarth's "Marriage à la Mode," Set complete.

A COTTAGE PIANO, by J. BROADWOOD & SONS, expressly made for the Climate, in excellent condition.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Tuesday, the 7th instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Praya, on

FRIDAY,

the 10th May, 1878, at Noon.

An Invoice of NEW PATENT KEYLESS CLOCKS, Cash Scales, Butter Dishes, Cruet Stands, Tea Spoons, Carriage Lamps, Riding Whips, Alpaca Umbrellas, Cotton Socks, Paint Brushes.

An Invoice of Handsome Oleographs, 8 Shanghai Bath Tubs.

Also,
2 kegs California Butter, 8 kils Mac-kerel, 5 kils Cod's Tongues, &c., &c.

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Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

BILLIARD TABLES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been instructed to sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Praya, on

FRIDAY,

the 17th May, 1878, at 2 o'clock p.m.

Two Full Sized English BILLIARD TABLES, in Good Order, and Complete, with Cues, Balls, Marking Boards, &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Spanish Steamer "EMUY,"

BLANCO, Master, will be de- patched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Spanish Barque "CONCHITA,"

ARIAS, Master, will be de- patched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at 5 o'clock p.m.

For Freight, &c., apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship "JAPAN,"

Capt. H. DE SMIDT, will be de- patched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 15th instant, at 8 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TAJANIS,"

Commandant DE LA MARCELLE, will be de- patched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.

H. DE POUVEY,
Agent.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "SINDE,"

Commandant BAURET, will be de- patched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DE POUVEY,
Agent.

HONGKONG HUMANE SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above SOCIETY will be held at the CURT HALL, on MONDAY, the 13th May, at 6 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee, a Statement of Accounts, and to elect Officers for the ensuing Year.

Members and others taking an interest in the Society are invited to attend.

F. W. BARFF,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 7, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ANTHON, American barque, Capt. W. B. Seymour.—Chinese.

LADAGO, American ship, Captain C. B. Pierce.—Captain.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, British barque, Captain A. McIntyre.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

DEVANA, British barque, Capt. William May.—Melchers & Co.

LADY PENRYN, British barque, Capt. E. Owen.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

SARAH NICHOLSON, British ship, Capt. Jas. G. Selkirk.—Butterfield & Swire.

H. G. JOHNSON, American barque, Capt. Isaac N. Colby.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

FORWARD, British barque, Capt. James W. Vandervort.—Rozario & Co.

MAID OF JUDAH, British barque, Capt. Alfred Wm. Webb.—Order.

FRIEDBERG, German 8-masted schooner, Captain J. Heyer.—Wieser & Co.

DANUBE, British steamer, Capt. Olanchy.—Yuen Fat Hong.

TA LEE, German barque, Captain M. Hoffmann.—Siemssen & Co.

OSLYON, American barque, Captain Edward Kelly.—Olyphant & Co.

FORMOSA, German barque, Captain Schewer.—Melchers & Co.

ANNA BERTHA, German barque, Capt. P. Peterson.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 7, H.M.S. *Swinger*, from a cruise.
May 7, H.M.S. *Lapwing*, from a cruise.
May 7, *Albatross*, German corvette, from Canton.
May 7, *Madagascar*, German steamer, 884 Tons, Bangkok April 29, Rice—SHEPHERD & Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 7, *Zamboanga*, for Halphong.
May 7, *Maid of Judah*, for Takow.
May 7, *Feronia*, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Hudson, for Cebu.
Antioch, for Vancouver's Island.
Dauphin, for Bangkok.
Malabar, for Nigita.
Lady Penryn, for Cebu.
Glenfayla, for Foonchow.
Goodell, for Iloilo.
Malvina, for Keelung.
Taunton, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Tanais*, from Yokohama; for Hongkong, Dr. John Burke, Messrs Jose Bozas, and Isodoro Fernandez; for Marselles, Dr. Vidal.

Per *Charlton*, from Port Darwin and Saigon, 84 Chinese.

Per *State of Alabama*, from Saigon, 15 Chinese.

Per *Bertha*, from Cooktown, &c., 264 Chinese.

Per *Madagascar*, from Bangkok, 14 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Zamboanga*, for Halphong, 10 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Friam*, for London, &c., Mr and Mrs Hatfield, Mr and Mrs Rickard and 8 children, Messrs W. McKie and J. P. Smith.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Charlton* reports: Fine weather and head sea from Saigon.

The British steamer *State of Alabama* reports: Fine weather throughout the passage.

The British steamer *Bertha* reports: Moderate and fine weather throughout.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWAN, AND TAMSUI.—

Per *Halphong*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 8th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND LONDON.—

Per *Friam*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 8th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For FOOCHOW.—

Per *Glenfayla*, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 8th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—

Per *Bertha*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 8th inst.

For BANGKOK.—

Per *Zyrtan Abbey*, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 8th inst.

For SAIGON.—

Per *Paras*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 11th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Iravaddy* will be de- patched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 11th May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marselles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Australia.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, May 10th.—

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 11th.—

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) except those to and through Australia, may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, April 27, 1878.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *Glenfayla* will be de- patched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 18th inst.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, 17th inst.—

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 18th inst.—

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

place. Mr Russell gave judgment for the defendant, saying that he certainly should not allow the claim; the plaintiff made an agreement, and he must abide by it. He endeavours to shirk his agreement by telling a deliberate falsehood regarding his mother, and then puts another man, probably an inferior cook, in his place, and doubtless got a portion of the wages.

The *Japan Gazette* says:—The British barque *Oceanic* and ship *Omba* are both chartered to ship rice in Kobe, the former for Amoy, and the latter for that port or Hongkong.

Captain Hamilton, late of the British barque *Queen*, has arrived in Yokohama from the wreck.

Speaking of the breakdown of the P. M. S. S. *City of Peking*, it says that, at 7.30 p.m. on the 25th April (same day she left Yokohama), when 148 miles out, one of the crank pins suddenly broke, and Captain Tanaka, judged it expedient to return to Yokohama for repairs. She arrived back at 7 a.m. of 29th.

We believe there was every likelihood of an outbreak in the Gaol this morning, and it was due mainly to the prompt measures taken by the Gaol authorities that it was prevented. It appears that the scale of provisions has been altered, and the Chinese prisoners were put on a reduced allowance of rice. They evinced their displeasure at such a proceeding by grumbling amongst themselves. Every cell is provided with a bell rope which is meant to enable the prisoners to call the warders in case of sickness, and we understand that the prisoners availed themselves of this means to cause annoyance to the warders and turnkeys during last night. The Gaol was thus put in a complete uproar by the ringing of bells and the shouting of the inmates. This morning they were set to work as usual, but numbers of them flatly refused to obey the order. The disaffected ones were in the stone-yard at the time, and they were in such numbers that had the prisoners taken to stoning the turnkeys they could not easily have been overpowered. The Police rushed into the Gaol in large numbers as soon as the alarm was given, and the ringleaders were secured, and order restored. Two of the Visiting Justices, Messrs. Byrie and Lister, were engaged investigating into the circumstances of the disobedience this afternoon.

"CHICKENMATE" does not always imply the use of Chess-men, or necessarily involve the skilful handling of large bodies of troops, or of fleets. In these days of science and of collateral aids, the outwitting of a rival may not necessitate bloodshed or even open hostilities. A story is now going the rounds—in fact, there are many in circulation about the game of "hide and seek" now being played in Japanese waters—concerning the serpentine wisdom of Admiral Hill-iar as illustrated recently in the vicinity of some of the ports of Japan. We have heard how the John Bulls have lately been watching the Muscovies, and how the former have been following or anticipating the naval movements of the latter in Japan in view of probable contingencies. Picture then the consternation of the Russians when they found the *Admiral* English Admiral on the look-out at Yokohama! He must be outwitted, and the ships of Russia removed to places of safety; and to these ends preparations are made. But the Englishman begins to coal and generally to pull himself together; and the rivals—not antagonists—leave Yokohama about the same time. At a neighbouring port on the coast—it matters not which—the Russians call in for a fresh supply of black diamonds, and finding there is a great scarcity of the article, offer as much as \$30 a ton for it. But not the perfidious Britishers had been before them—had bought up every hundred-weight of fuel in the place, and had left it stored within sight of the "grizzlies." Verily there is more than one way of killing a dog, and as necessity is the mother of inventions, so the battle may be fought and won by different weapons.

A LARGE number of residents proceeded to the Lyceum-moon Pass this afternoon in steam-launches to witness the practice with torpedoes announced in our issue of last night. Among those present were His Excellency the Governor, Commodore Watson, and most, if not all of the chief naval and military authorities in the Colony. The two torpedoes provided for the occasion were carried on board one of the steam-launches belonging to the Naval Yard, being attached in the usual way to the ends of long poles, and fired by an electric wire. The object in view was to sink an old junk that was towed to a convenient spot in the Pass and then allowed to drift. On the torpedo boat nearing the junk the pole with one of the torpedoes at the end was run out and tilted up, so as to bring the torpedo under the hull. The first attempt was a failure, and the boat was run back for a second trial. Slowly steaming up to the hull, no sooner was the torpedo fairly under her bottom than the electric spark

was applied. Instantly an immense volume of water, mixed with a hundred fragments of the junk, was raised into the air about thirty or forty feet, followed by a dull, leaden report, that would probably hardly have been noticeable a mile and a half away. The mass of water and debris took the form of a dome. Those on board the torpedo boat were of course thoroughly wetted through, and it is said Lieutenant Needham was thrown or fell overboard, but if so that gallant officer was not long in gaining the boat again, for we saw nothing of him in the water ourselves. The cause of the first torpedo failing to explode was, we believe, that some coal dust had been mixed with the gunpowder with the object of lessening the violence of the explosion, and thus the power of ignition accidentally destroyed. The torpedo exploded was by far the most powerful one of the two. The diameter of the dome of water and debris thrown up was at the base doubtless some twenty or thirty feet. The eventual success of the experiments is highly creditable to those engaged in the affair because no apparatus for firing came out with the torpedoes, and it had to be made on the spot by, so to speak, amateur. The practice was so genuine, and a trial of a night attack because it would have taken twenty or thirty such boats to get a torpedo within a hundred yards of a man-of-war on the alert during the day—at least if the war vessel happened to have a Gatling gun or two on board and a few good marksmen with rifles.

SCRATCH ROWING RACE.
A scratch rowing race was pulled this afternoon, the following being the crews:—
First. Second.
Bow—Dunman. Bow—Harper.
2—Templar. 2—Reddie.
3—D. C. Travers. 3—Eynes.
Stroke—A. K. Travers. Stroke—Woodin.
Cox—Lewis. Cox—Bovis.

After some delay owing to the rough water, a capital start was effected by Mr Beak. Woodin led at first, but was eventually collared by Travers, who won by three-quarters of a length—a similar distance between 2nd and 3rd boats.

We take the following from the *Bulletin* of the Saigon Chamber of Commerce dated May 1:—In mill rice there is nothing done; we quote nominally \$3.90 per picul for No. 1, and \$3.80 for No. 2, in bags of 100 kilos alongside the vessel. The exportation of rice from the 1st Jan. to 22nd April 1878, amounted to 2,125,778 piculs, and from 22nd April to 1st May, 170,524 piculs. The freights for Hongkong are now at 10 to 11 cents per picul. Charters effected are: April 28, *Hydra*, German barque, 13,000, for Swatow, at 20 cents per picul of rice or salt, 22 day days; April 28, *Algonquin*, German steamer, 38,000 piculs, for Hongkong at 13 cents per picul for 12,000; April 28, *Alverton*, British steamer, 32,500 piculs, for Hongkong, at 10 cents per picul rice, 12 day days. The exports of rice for Hongkong since 22nd April are: 23, Holland, 26,000 piculs; 25, Killarney, 22,300 piculs; 26, Carlsbrooke, 18,300 piculs; 27, Argyll, 27,500 piculs; 29, Parsee, 24,000 piculs; 29, Atlanta, 19,400 piculs; 30, Quitta, 8,800 piculs; 30, Carlton, 28,000 piculs. Vessels in port for Hongkong: State of Alabama, Cyprus, Alto, Faugh Balaugh, Alverton.

The *Japan Gazette* has the following:—"Our readers will remember the sensation of horror caused in Hongkong and the Far East, at the close of 1876, by the ineffable cruelties perpetrated by Thomas Peabody, the master of the *U. O. Whitmore*, and Snow and Stafford, his first and second officers, upon the crew of that vessel during the voyage from South Wales to China. It will not be forgotten how these three fiends murdered by inches, slowly day to day, James Ellwood, once an officer of the vessel but soon discredited by the master, on the alleged score of incompetence, but apparently because he was not sufficiently cruel to the men. Peabody and his myrmidons escaped punishment in Hongkong, simply through the fluke that at that time the Ashburnham treaty was temporarily suspended. The crime, having, in a legal sense, been perpetrated on American soil, the offenders were only amenable to the courts of their own country, and their extradition from British territory at the time was impossible. They disappeared from Hongkong, going, it was thought, to Australia. Had they been ordinarily sagacious they would have put a great gulf between their past and future. One of them at least, and the biggest villain of the three, Captain Thomas Peabody, has foolishly run into the very jaws of Justice, who, we trust, will keep a firm grip on him and punish him as he deserves. We read in an American paper that he is held for trial at Boston on a charge of murdering his mate, James Ellwood."

THE VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT.
The following gentlemen have already entered their names on the Volunteer Register in the Colonial Secretary's Office:—

H. Cohen. H. N. Mody.
Charles H. Haden. F. Macbado.
Jas. Sampson. A. Seth.
Geo. King. W. K. Hughes.
Edward Fisher. H. G. James.
J. M. Emanuel. E. F. Alford.
H. L. Demery. R. Alford.
W. H. Mossop. H. Blackwell.
Stanley Cope. H. M. Blanchard.
Wm. Danby. B. H. Boyd.
W. Wilson. C. P. Chater.
A. Wolters. A. Coxon.
L. H. Noronha. W. Dunman.
L. F. Barretto. G. B. Emory.
F. M. Alves. B. Goldsmith.
H. M. Guedes, Jr. E. Hughes.
J. Barretto. E. J. Hughes.
James G. Scarbree. W. Lewis.
W. Cochrane Edwards. J. A. Mosely.
A. M. Rosa Pereira. J. K. Morrison.
J. M. Baston. W. Rhodes.
P. H. do Rosario. P. Rhodes.
J. A. Silva. C. V. Smith.
J. Noronha. J. Y. V. Shaw.
Wm. Schmidt. D. C. Travers.
F. A. Haselard. A. K. Travers.
G. A. Caldwell. Wingford.
W. A. Caldwell. J. Parker.
W. E. H. Dunn.

SUPREME COURT. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

May 7, 1878.

Bowler v. Moo Fuk Sui & anr. \$635.—This was a claim for brokerage. The plaintiff stated that he sold a piece of land to Mr. Ho Atim for \$63,000. The land was lot 60 owned by Messrs. Douglas, Lappack & Co. This was about 3 months and 10 days ago. Plaintiff continued:—I was authorized by Mr. Ho Atim to make an offer of \$63,000. \$1,000 were paid at the time as bargain money, the purchase to be completed on the 1st May. I subsequently heard that Mr. Atim had resold it to the defendants for \$69,500, and they wanted a mortgage for it. I went to them and they expressed themselves very dissatisfied with their bargain. This was in the house of one Moo Fuk Sui. They said that they had paid Mr. Ho Atim \$6,000 as bargain money, and wanted me to get it back again, and thus be off the bargain. If I succeeded, they said they would gladly pay \$63,000 for the land and give Mr. Ho Atim \$500 for his trouble. They also promised me \$1,000 for my trouble if I succeeded. This is not an extravagant sum, as there is a great deal of financing to be done. I got this agreement reduced to writing, and then succeeded in inducing Mr. Atim to forego the bargain. I saw Mr. Atim five or six times in reference to this matter. Mr. Ho Atim told me that he had paid back the \$6,000; he was good-hearted, and out of pity had paid it them back, as they came to him crying, and said they would commit suicide. I believe I have seen the receipt for this \$6,000 lying in Messrs. Sharp, Feller and Johnson's office. I will not swear it, but I can nearly swear it. I claim brokerage, one per cent. on the amount for which the defendants resold the property to Mr. Atim. They offered me \$10, which I took; I did not think it advisable to refuse \$10, but I gave no receipt for it.

Mr. Toller: I understand that you claim brokerage on a re-sale of inland lot 60.

Mr. Bowler: Yes.

Mr. Toller: There is nothing mentioned about a re-sale in the document you put in.

Mr. Bowler: Well, you can put it as damages. I have put in a claim for brokerage or a re-sale through ignorance.

—Addressing His Lordship, plaintiff said he hoped he would not make him suffer for having made a technical blunder.

He called it brokerage because he thought that the proper term, but perhaps it should be for work and labour done.

Mr. Toller said he did not think the plaintiff had made out his claim, and he should like to examine the defendants.

Mr. Toller then called Moo Fuk Sui, and said before proceeding to examine the witness that he would briefly state the facts of the case as he was instructed, which he did and concluded by saying that from what he knew of the matter Mr. Bowler had no case. His Lordship gave judgment for defendants, with costs.

Juster v. Croonan, \$22.—This was a claim for board and lodging from 15th April to 4th May 1877. Defendant, who is an engineer, had been away from the Colony only a few days ago. Judgment for plaintiff, with costs.

Police Intelligence.

(Before C. V. O'neagh, Esq.)

May 7, 1878.

LARCENY.

Cheng Lin, unemployed, was charged with stealing a pair of earrings and other property valued at \$9, the property of an inmate of a brothel. He was sent to two months' hard labour.

Chan Ang, a boatman, was sent to six months' hard labour for stealing three one-dollar notes from the person of one P. W. G. Angier, lamp-trimmer S. S. Chung.

Canton.

May 6, 1878.

Our community, as socially constituted, has long possessed, relatively with the sister settlements up the coast, a full proportion of the element of Divinity; and is now rejoicing in the augmentation, or more literally, the enhancement of its fame by the gravitation of a Doctor of Philosophy from a neighboring retreat and the recognition of the merits of two old residents by their respective Alma-Mater in the bestowal of the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Of the late retreat of the former we may say, as might be said of the home of the renowned father of Alexander the Great, we remember Macedonia because Philip lived there; for so it is that the name of Whampoa is imperiously bound with the garlands that are the blossomings of Dr Hanco's scientific fame.

Archdeacon Gray's return to Cambridge was welcomed by the honorary degrees of LL.D.; and we now look with interest for his book upon China, announced by Messrs MacMillan. On Saturday the French mail brought as the gratifying announcement that the University of Aberdeen has bestowed the degree of LL.D. upon the Rev. John Chalmers, M.A., who graduated thence 30 years ago. And whose persevering study during the most of the interval has constituted him one of the very few profound students of the Chinese language and literature of the present or any previous period. Well, then, may Canton rejoice in recognition of his fame and of that accorded his contemporary Doctors.

Australian Items.

The British ship *Thermopylae* left Sydney for Shanghai on the 5th inst.

At Newcastle on the 5th the coal pits were working on full time, and the export for the week was 23,984 tons.

Captain Carl Hayer, of the *Cardiganshire*, has been committed for trial for chaining up a man named Wilks in the baracade for a period of thirty days.

The Government Analyst at Hobart Town reports that the Saddleby coal is better for smelting and manufacturing purposes than the Newcastle coal.

CHINA.
HANKOW.
April 26.
I am glad to say that after the heavy rains we have had, the weather has become really very fine again, and prospects of a good tea crop are considered favorable. Nothing very reliable in the way of news has come from the tea districts, but it is generally thought that owing to the very uncertain state of politics at home the tea men will act very cautiously, and get the best at a good reduction on last year's prices. The number of hongse in the Hankow districts is much under that of last year.—N. C. D. News.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

(Compiled from the London Daily Press.)

FRIDAY, March 22.—In the House of Commons yesterday the Earl of Derby, replying on the part of the Government to the discussion raised by Lord Stratheden and Campbell, said that the object of the Congress was to give European sanction and recognition to the changes which were being made, and they felt that they ought to have the whole case before them for the purpose of discussion. This was the sole question at present at issue. He was not prepared to say what answer the Russian Government would give to their demand; but he thought their lordships would be of opinion that without such a condition as that which they had made, it would be of very little use for the Congress to meet at all. Yesterday's *Official Journal* of St. Petersburg published the text of the treaty of peace between the Porte and Russia. The assembling of the Congress seems now to be certain, but it is not known whether Prince Bismarck has already sent out his invitations to the meeting. Savit Pacha is stated to have declined to act as one of the Plenipotentiaries to the Congress, and it is thought that either Ahmed Vek Pacha or Musurus Pacha will represent the Porte. General Sir Arnold Kemball has been suddenly recalled to London to accompany Lord Lyons to the Berlin Congress. Prince Gortschakoff has refused to withdraw the Russian troops from the environs of lines of Constantinople. The Austrian Delegation last evening, by 29 to 20 votes, granted the war credit of 60 millions. Russia is reported to be carrying out large military measures in the East. The feeling in Vienna is far from inclining to a peaceful prospect, despite the hopes centred in the Congress. Serbia still keeps her prisoners of war in the fortress of Belgrade and in other parts of the country, and refuses to contemplate their release until she learns the result of the deliberations at the Congress. Osman Pacha has been set at liberty, and left St. Petersburg on Monday with Rouff Pacha. They are expected to reach Odessa tomorrow. According to the Turkish newspapers Osman, after being received in private audience by the Sultan, will be escorted to the Seraskierate by a battalion of the Imperial Guard, and the inhabitants of the capital will give him a hearty welcome home. Suleiman is in prison at the Seraskierate, and his trial is expected to begin next week.

SATURDAY, March 23.—The *Daily Telegraph* Paris correspondent states that, apart from the Treaty between Turkey and Russia just ratified, the Porte has been forced to acquiesce in a secret agreement of which it touches the most vital interests of England to know the contents. The entire scheme of the arrangement has taken the form of a "memorandum" in order, it is stated, that if either of the contracting parties is asked whether such an agreement exists it can reply in the negative. It seems to be more and more doubtful whether the proposed Congress will ever take place, and from all quarters telegrams show that this is the general feeling on the Continent. The *Agence Russa* admits that the chances of the Congress assembling have diminished in consequence of England insisting on her demands that the whole Treaty shall be submitted to it. England, the *Journal de St. Petersburg* maintains, really wishes to inflict a check upon Russia, and the Powers may well ask whether the views of a single Government are to prevent the conclusion of a peace which all the rest desire. The *Daily News* correspondent in Berlin telegraphs that public opinion there is much disturbed by despatches from St. Petersburg, and still more so by the proceedings in the House of Lords on Thursday night. The *North German Gazette* says it is evident that Russia has become reconciled to war with England as inevitable. The Austrian and Hungarian Press is of opinion that the Russian claims are excessive, and as they stand, unacceptable. A report is current at Vienna that all negotiations for an Austro-English alliance have failed, and been broken off, and that Austria has determined to send a *corps d'armée* to the Roumanian-Serbian frontier, and the Government had entered into contracts for supplies. In Bosnia, at a meeting of orthodox Christian chiefs, a resolution has been agreed upon not to accept Austrian rule, but rather to fight in favour of unity with Serbia. Matters between Roumania and Russia are looking serious. The Vienna correspondent of the *Morning Advertiser* reports movements of both armies, the Roumanian in the direction of Krajova, and the Russian towards Ploesti. The anger of Prince Charles at his treatment by Russia shows no abatement, and it is reported that he said he could, with 100,000 men such as those who took the Gravelin road, force the Russian to surrender the Fruth. At Bucharest an intention to insist upon Roumanian disarmament is attributed to Russia. There is a growing feeling among the population of Greece in favour of uniting with England on the Eastern Question, the action of the English Ministry being considered as having foiled Russian intrigues. The Porte, according to a Pera telegram, has followed up its refusal to permit Russian troops to be embarked at Buyukdere by placing troops in good positions along the Straits, and has also thrown up earthworks, as precautions against surprise. This movement of the Turks is regarded as of considerable importance, as it prevents the Roumanians suddenly occupying the positions now taken up by the Ottomans.

Mo'zar, March 26.—Increasing difficulties beset the proposed Congress, and all telegrams express doubt as to whether it will meet. At Berlin the situation is considered very gloomy; it being apparent that Russia is determined to make no more concessions to England with respect to the Treaty. The *Golda*, however, is dissatisfied with that document as it exists, and declares it to be of a character which cannot satisfy the Russian people. As to the rumour that Russia had asked England to withdraw her fleet from the Sea of Marmora, the *Agence Russa* declares it to be premature. The Hungarian Ministerial papers say that in this matter Russia is treating England very

brusquely, and provoking a war which they fear will become European. Replying to a question in Saturday's sitting of the Hungarian Delegation, Count Andrássy stated that it was intended that the Congress should assemble on one of the last days of March, but that in the meanwhile a few preliminary questions had arisen between Russia and England, respecting which an interchange of ideas was going on; consequently the date of the assembling of the Congress could not be stated with certainty. The Paris correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* states that the firm stand maintained by England in regard to the pretensions of Russia, in spite of the defection of Austria, has strongly impressed the French. It has weakened their hopes of peace, but at the same time raised the English in their estimation. General Ignatieff with Rouff Pacha, and Osman Pacha with other prisoners of war, have arrived at Constantinople. It is not yet known on what errand General Ignatieff revisited the Turkish capital. A telegram from Constantinople states that 50,000 Turkish troops are now encamped in the plain of Buyukdere, and fifty battalions in the lines defending the capital. On Saturday afternoon an influential deputation waited upon Mr Wyndham, the British Chargé d'Affaires at Athens, and presented to him an address bearing 1,000 signatures, expressing gratitude to the British Government and nation for their sympathy with Greece. Both Turks and insurgents in Thessaly are displaying more activity, and as the weather is fine more extended movements are expected. The Turkish irregulars are charged with committing some cruel excesses. The Turks have placed troops at the entrance of the harbour of Volo. The *Daily News* special correspondent in Crete telegraphs that the insurgents are now in full command of the open country, and that the entire island is, in fact, in their power except the coast fortresses. The men are well armed, are determined not to submit without a desperate struggle, but are quite content meanwhile to wait for the Congress, if the Turks keep quiet. Steps are being taken for disinfecting the late battle-fields both in Europe and Armenia.

TUESDAY, March 26.—The meeting of the Congress is now generally regarded as hopeless. Berlin has scarcely any hope of an assembly there, and Paris considers the proposal as virtually at an end. In Paris it is believed that if England refuses to attend, both France and Italy will also keep away. The Berlin correspondent of the *Standard* states that, as the relations between Russia and England have become entirely at variance, Russia will again assume to act in the name of Europe, and will demand that England shall withdraw her fleet from the Sea of Marmora. Meanwhile the tone of the Russian official press grows more violent towards England. The *Agence Russa* describes the conduct of the English Cabinet as chicanery, and says it reveals an offensive intention. The *Nord* considers it would be more to the advantage of Europe that the Congress should not assemble, and suggests that the solution of the difficulty is for Europe to accomplish its task without England. The *North German Gazette* says that the meeting of the Congress at an early date can scarcely any longer be expected, though a war between England and Russia need not yet, however, be regarded as a necessary consequence of the attitude of England. The Russian army remains near Constantinople, and its conduct will in the main be regulated by that of the British fleet. The Russian officers at San Stefano are almost unanimous against war, believing that Russia will yield at the last moment rather than go to war with Great Britain. Serbia is much dissatisfied with the Treaty of Peace, and thinks that it secures her practically nothing in return for her achievements. Russia has offered to enlarge the Serbian frontier if Serbia in return will remobilise her reserves and concentrate them on the Austrian frontier. Osman Pacha has returned to Constantinople. He went to the Dolmabahce Palace, where he was received by the Sultan, of whom he had a long audience. The Sultan expressed the warmest gratitude and admiration of the manner in which Plevna had been defended. Osman Pacha afterwards went to Bobek to visit his family, and yesterday made his public entry into Constantinople, after which he reviewed a large body of troops at the Seraskierate.

WEDNESDAY, March 27.—Although the Congress is still regarded as hopeless by the Continent generally, and the Russian press continues to attack England for the demands it has made, there are some symptoms that eventually Russia may yield on such points as will after all enable the assembly to be held in Berlin. One of the chief of these points is the question about the retrocession of Bessarabia. All the evening papers in Paris publish a telegram from Bucharest stating that Russia has consented to submit this matter to the Congress, and should the decision of that body be against that project Russia will be contented with the Dobruddja, though the Government of the Roumanian agent at St. Petersburg, is said to have reported to his Government the refusal of Roumania to yield Bessarabia as a personal insult. The *Daily News* Paris correspondent believes that the French Government has resolved to maintain an attitude of strict neutrality, and that it considers such a position incompatible with any participation in a Congress in which England would not be represented. The *Agence Russa* meanwhile maintains that in reality England is the only Power out of seven which does not accept the Congress, and that she is thus jeopardising the maintenance of peace. Perhaps the most significant contribution to the discussion on the situation is the article in the *Post* of Berlin. That newspaper doubts whether the course pursued by Russia is statesmanlike, and points out that if England refused to attend the Congress the Treaty of San Stefano would be deprived of European sanction, and would be juridically invalid. Russia, it adds, could not bring about an anti-British coalition, and that Power should be wise enough to be moderate. Count Andrássy, according to the Vienna correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle*, has addressed a note to the British Cabinet, in which he declines to assent to England's demand that the whole of the San Stefano Treaty shall be submitted to the Congress. The Count himself does not deem the Congress as frustrated. A scheme, which the Vienna correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* designates the "Austro-Russian parallel annexation," he states, ripe for arrangement between those Powers. The principle submitted to Austria is to counterbalance, or rather to compensate, for Slav preponderance in Bulgaria by the extension of Austrian domination in the Western portion of the Balkan Peninsula.)

and, after due consideration, the idea has found favour at Austrian headquarters. General Ignatieff has reached Vienna. Russia has decided to occupy Constantinople and the shore of the Bosphorus, in order to prevent the British fleet from entering the Black Sea. So telegraphs the *Daily Chronicle* special correspondent at St. Petersburg, who moreover says that Russia has called out 200,000 militia reserves. Yesterday, the Grand Duke Nicholas, accompanied by twelve general officers, paid a visit to the Sultan at Constantinople, and remained in conversation for twenty minutes. The Sultan afterwards returned the visit. The fighting in the Greek provinces continues, and a large Turkish force has been sent to Volo to operate against the insurgents. The Turkish troops are being reinforced.

THURSDAY, March 28.—The holding of a Congress is now entirely given up, the Powers having declined the proposal of Russia to meet without a representative of England. The attention of all politicians on the Continent is now directed to the mission of General Ignatieff, who had interviews yesterday with both Count Andrássy and the Emperor of Austria. It is stated in Vienna that the object of General Ignatieff's mission to that city is to isolate England, and to assure the Austrian Government that Russia will have due regard to its interests. The Hungarian Press says that the vital interests of the Empire are now at stake. War between England and Russia is considered inevitable. The Grand Duke dined yesterday with the Sultan, the party numbering fifteen. He will pay the Sultan another visit. The report of Russia's intention to occupy Constantinople and the Bosphorus shores is confirmed by a telegram of last evening from the *Daily Chronicle*'s special correspondent at Constantinople. He states that the Grand Duke Nicholas informed the Sultan that he had received renewed and strict orders to act militarily as he thought fit in order to secure a final decision. The Grand Duke declares also that no Russian troops will leave Roumelia so long as the British fleet remains on the Marmara side of the Dardanelles. As for the Sultan, he is opposed to England and rejects all proposals of friendship or alliance on account of the plots entered into for a change of dynasty by England. At the recent secret sitting of the Roumanian Senate and Chamber, a resolution against the proposed session of Bessarabia to Russia, in exchange for the Dobruddja, was unanimously adopted. Russia is not more successful in dealing with Serbia than with Roumania. A Ministerial crisis has been nearly caused at Belgrade by the receipt of a proposal from Russia that the Constitution should be suspended and the army mobilised without the consent of the Skupstchina, and placed on the northern frontier as a demonstration against Austria. This proposal was declined.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, May 7, 1878.

OPIMUM.—New Fatna, cash...\$575 a 580

" Old Fatna, cash, None

" credit, —

" New Benares, cash, 555 a 556

" credit, —

" Old Benares, cash, None

" credit, —

" New Malwa, cash, 770

" credit, 775

" Allowance Teals, 12 a 20

" Old Malwa, cash, —

" credit, —

" Allowance Teals, —

CAMPOR, ... 164 a 17.00

QUICKSILVER, ... 602 a 63.00

SALTPEPER, ... 6.40 a 7.06

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, ... 3/10

" 30 days' sight, ... 3/10

" 60 days' sight, ... 3/10 a 3/11

Credit, ... 3/11 a 3/12

Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/11 a 3/12

Bombay, demand Rupees, ... 226

Calcutta, ... 226

Shanghai, demand, ... 71

" 30 days, ... 72

Bar Silver, 17, dwts. Z., ... 10

Yucca, ... 14

Gold, ... 14 1/2 p.m.

Gold Sovereign, ... 26.80

Australian Sovereign, ... 6.25

Discount, ... 7 to 9 %

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 56 % prem.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,325

China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,800

Chinese Insurance Co., \$370

Yankee Ins. Assoc., \$1,645

North China Ins. Co., \$90

H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$700

China Fire Ins. Co., \$175

H.K. & W. Dock Co., 6 % prem.

H.K. O. & M. S. Boat Co., \$8 dis.

Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$1, 21

Hongkong Gas Co., \$75

Hongkong Hotel Co., \$55

China Sugar Refining Co., 8 % prem.

Chinese Imperial Loan, \$105.

Do. of 1877, \$103.10.

Temperature.

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HONGKONG, May 7, 1878.

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Do. 1 P.M. ... 30.094

Do. 4 P.M. ...

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

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THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 9th May, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai. Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 8th May. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value same is required.

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For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central, G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, April 20, 1878. my9

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUER, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSAILLES; Also, BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 11th May, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. "IRAOUADY," Commandant GAUVAIN, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 10th May, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DE POUEY, Agent.

Hongkong, April 27, 1878. my11



STEAM FOR Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suet, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton, and London.

Also, Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "GVALIOR," Captain J. C. BARRY, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 18th May, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878. my18

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THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF PEKING" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, at 8 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 26, 1878. my23

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.

Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

Volume Sixth of the "CHINA REVIEW."

No. V.—Vol. VI.—OF THE—"CHINA REVIEW"

WILL BE READY IN A FEW DAYS.

China Mail Office, Hongkong, May 2, 1878.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

MR. WILLIAM HENRY HARTON, JR., is this Day admitted a Partner in our Firm.

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong and Foochow, May 1, 1878. jel

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD OUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co. China, March 8, 1878. ses

NOTICE. I BEG to notify that, by permission of the Board of Directors of the ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, I have resigned my duties as GENERAL MANAGER of the said Company, and that all my Responsibility in the transactions of the same ceased on the 30th of April.

POON PONG, (otherwise) POON WING CHUN. Hongkong, May 1, 1878. my8

NOTICE. THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tse Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN. Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE. IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LEONG YOOK CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM, Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail. Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

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NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES. JAS. B. COUGHRAN, Secretary. Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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NORTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

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CAPITAL—Fully Paid up—Tls. 420,000. PERMANENT RESERVE—230,000. SPECIAL RESERVE FUND—75,000. Total Capital and accumulations this date—Tls. 725,000.

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, October 1, 1877. ool

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OLYMPHANT & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

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MELCHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company. Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

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GILMAN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

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OFFICE, Nos. 8 and 9, Praya West. Hongkong, August 23, 1877. au23

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, October 14, 1858.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.									
Vessel's Name.	Country.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.		
Steamers.									
Albania	Brit.	str.	1439	May 1	T. G. Linstead				
Argentine	Brit.	str.	915	April 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.				
Argyll	Brit.	str.	1271	May 1	Jardine, Matheson & Co.				
Atalanta	Ger.	str.	783	May 1	Siemens & Co.				
Benary	Brit.	str.	1120	May 1	Gibbs, Livingston & Co.				
Benold	Brit.	str.	999	April 24	Hop Koo & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	95	Oct. 2	Kwok Acheong				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1128	May 1	Butterfield & Swire				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	786	May 1	Hop Koo & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	525	April 20	Yuen Fat Hong				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	117	April 11	H. K. & W. Poon Dock Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	153	April 18	G. McRae				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	157	April 18	Geo. Chong Hong				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1243	May 1	H. Kier & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1588	April 21	Butterfield & Swire				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1886	April 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	972	April 25	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	2382	April 28	Siemens & Co.				
Bombay	Dut.	str.	1148	April 29	Siemens & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1865	May 1	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1060	April 29	Kwok Acheong				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1263	April 26	Gibbs, Livingston & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1060	May 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	678	Mar. 17	Kwong Hing Cheong				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	3700	April 28	O. & O. S. S. Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1014	May 6	Melchers & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1572	May 6	Butterfield & Swire				
Bombay	Ger.	str.	874	May 5	Soy Sing				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1511	May 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1040	May 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	786	April 27	Kin-ye-long				
Bombay	Brit.	str.	1271	May 1	Jardine, Matheson & Co.				
Sailing Vessels.									
Andrea	Ger.	bgo.	240	April 27	Siemens & Co.				
Anna Bertha	Ger.	bgo.	468	May 4	Wm. Patten				
Anna Sloben	Ger.	bgo.	325	April 5	Edmund Schellhaus & Co.				
Antioch	Amer.	bgo.	648	April 6	Chinese				
Arctia	Brit.	bgo.	947	April 24	Butterfield & Swire				
Augusta Reimers	Ger.	bgo.	207	April 25	Captain				
Beethoven	Ger.	bgo.	840	April 22	Melchers & Co.				
Blanca Perida	Ital.	bgo.	666	Mar. 31	Thos. Howard & Co.				
Borneo	Amer.	bgo.	739	April 26	Arnold, Karberg & Co.				
Brisbane	Brit.	bgo.	394	April 28	Russell & Co.				
Carl Ritter	Ger.	bgo.	696	May 8	Siemens & Co.				
Ceylon	Amer.	bgo.	681	May 3	Olyphant & Co.				
Charlotte Andrews	Brit.	bgo.	855	April 22	Rozario & Co.				
Chocoma	Span.	bgo.	324	May 1	Gas Company				
Cocoma	Span.	bgo.	450	Mar. 14	Remedios & Co.				
Crocoder	Amer.	bgo.	139	Feb. 18	Meyer & Co.				
Cuba	Brit.	bgo.	668	Mar. 14	Captain				
Dauphin	Foh.	bgo.	310	April 23	Meyer & Co.				
Devana	Brit.	bgo.	537	April 24	Edmund Schellhaus & Co.				
Echo	Brit.	bgo.	785	April 9	Meyer & Co.				
Elcano	Brit.	bgo.	369	April 27	Arnold, Karberg & Co.				
Elise	Amer.	bgo.	1181	Feb. 26	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.				
Elizabeth Orlis	Hawa.	bgo.	812	Mar. 30	Waler & Co.				
Elizabeth Orlis	Brit.	bgo.	740	April 14	Meyer & Co.				
Elizabeth Orlis	Ger.	bgo.	447	April 23	Waler & Co.				
Elm	Brit.	bgo.	486	April 1	Arnold, Karberg & Co.				
Formosa	Ger.	bgo.	282	May 8	Melchers & Co.				
Forward	Brit.	bgo.	707	April 18	Rozario & Co.				
Frank Marlon	Amer.	bgo.	678	April 7	Meyer & Co.				
Friedrich	Ger.	bgo.	295	April 27	Waler & Co.				
Genevieve	Foh.	bgo.	636	May 8	Landstein & Co.				
Georgia	Brit.	bgo.	315	May 9	Chinese				
Glamorganshire	Brit.	bgo.	456	April 18	H. Kier & Co.				
Goddard	Amer.	bgo.	840	April 14	Arnold, Karberg & Co.				
Great Admiral	Amer.	bgo.	1576	Aug. 19	Russell & Co.				
Gustav	Ger.	bgo.	240	April 25	Edmund Schellhaus & Co.				
H. G. Johnson	Amer.	bgo.	1081	April 16	Arnold, Karberg & Co.				
Hal Columbia	Amer.	bgo.	363	May 4	Chinese				
Hoteper	Brit.	bgo.	582	April 27	Captain				
Hudson	Amer.	bgo.	662	April 19	Butterfield & Swire				
Isabel McDonald	Brit.	bgo.	276	May 5	Melchers & Co.				
Johann Smidt	Amer.	bgo.	440	April 2	Captain				
Leadage	Amer.	bgo.	866	April 2	Captain				
Lady Penryn	Brit.	bgo.	815	April 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.				
Malvina	Ger.	bgo.	479	April 23	Waler & Co.				
Mangerton	Brit.	bgo.	380	May 6	Chinese				
Manuel	Span.	bgo.	282	May 7	Chinese				
Marie Charlotte	Foh.	bgo.	380	Mar. 23	Carlowitz & Co.				
Mosquito	Brit.	bgo.	197	Feb. 5	Rozario & Co.				
North Star	Amer.	bgo.	1374	Feb. 28	Russell & Co.				
P. J. Carleton	Amer.	bgo.	986	Feb. 28	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.				
Papa	Ger.	bgo.	392	May 3	Siemens & Co.				
Palho	Ger.	bgo.	261	April 28	Arnold, Karberg & Co.				
Regulus	Ger.	bgo.	1115	May 1	P. & O. S. N. Co.				
Sacramento	Amer.	bgo.	1418	April 24	Butterfield & Swire				
San Lorenzo	Span.	bgo.	260	April 23	Remedios & Co.				
Sarah Nicholson	Brit.	bgo.	933	April 14	Butterfield & Swire				
Slamene Crown	Slam.	bgo.	539	May 2	Tack Mee				
Sumatra	Amer.	bgo.	1090	Sept. 6	Russell & Co.				
Ta Lee	Ger.	bgo.	342	May 1	Siemens & Co.				
Tartar	Ger.	bgo.	286	April 30	Melchers & Co.				
Taunton	Brit.	bgo.	68	Mar. 30	Siemens & Co.				
Teodora	Span.	bgo.	400	Apr. 19	Russell & Co.				
Thomas Fletcher	Amer.	bgo.	645	Apr. 9	Kin Nam				
Ti De Ma Di	Slam.	bgo.	456	Apr. 28	Chinese				
Titan	Amer.	bgo.	1270	Feb. 7	Russell & Co.				
Waga	Ger.	bgo.	1115	May 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.				
Wm. Phillips	Amer.	bgo.	591	Mar. 2	Edmund Schellhaus & Co.				
West	Ger.	bgo.	302	April 28	Melchers & Co.				
WHAMPOA.									
Brens	Ger.	bgo.	385	Waler & Co.				
Charles Moureaux	Foh.	bgo.	362	May 5	Landstein & Co.				
Hans	Brit.	bgo.	812	May 6	Waler & Co.				
Flourence Nightingale	Brit.	bgo.	464	April 25	Arnold, Karberg & Co.				
Perusia	Bel.	bgo.	3800	May 2	Olyphant & Co.				
St. Anna	Foh.	bgo.	287	May 5	Carlowitz & Co.				
CANTON.									
Fuyew	Chl.	str.	550	May 6	O. M. S. N. Co.				
Yotung	Brit.	str.	286	April 30	Kwok Acheong				